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INTELLIGENCE MEMORANDUM

Situation in the Dominican Republic (As of 1100 EDT)

- 1. Peasant vendors who came into the capital from Azua, some 120 miles to the west, report this morning that they observed no signs of rebel uprisings on their trip.
- 2. Loyal Dominican forces which were to patrol the northern part of the city last night proved to be ineffective and withdrew to the east side of the Ozama Bridge for their own security.
- 3. Lt. General Bruce Palmer has assumed control of US Army forces in the Dominican Republic.
- 4. US air and surface surveillance of the Dominican coast has been initiated to prevent the introduction of weapons. Ships have been stationed at designated ports to facilitate further evacuation as may be required.